

REMARKS

Claims 1-44 are pending.

Claims 1-44 stand rejected.

Claims 1, 9, 17, 21, 29, and 36 have been amended.

In view of the amendments and the August 29, 2005 interview with Examiner Wilson, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at (512) 338-9100.

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